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HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

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A RESOLUTION congratulating the 2001 Class 4A girls basketball state champions, the Ben Davis High School Lady Giants from Indianapolis.

Whereas, On Saturday, March 3, 2001, at Conseco Fieldhouse in Indianapolis, the Ben Davis High School Lady Giants became the 2001 Class 4A girls basketball state champions;

Whereas, The Lady Giants went ended the 2001 regular season with a 27 - 2 record and 12 consecutive victories;

Whereas, The Class 4A state championship game ended with the Ben Davis Lady Giants successfully defending their title with a 69 - 45 victory over Fort Wayne Snider;

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Whereas, Ashley Allen and Shyra Ely combined for 39 points to help the third-ranked Giants retain possession of the Class 4A state title;

Whereas, In addition to her 20 points, Ashley Allen established a new state finals record with nine steals;

Whereas, Senior Shyra Ely's 19 points brought her career scoring total to 2,004 points, making the University of Tennessee recruit the 16th Indiana girl, and the first from Indianapolis, to reach 2,000 career points;

Whereas, Ely is one of the 10 finalists for the Naismith Award for National Player of the Year and has been selected to participate in the WBCA All-American Game to be held April 7 in Hartford, Connecticut;

Whereas, The key to this year's victory was defense, especially in the third quarter, when the Lady Giants' intense defense caused 10 turnovers that led to a 23 - 2 run to break open a one-point game; and

Whereas, Teamwork, outstanding coaching, a good set of play plans, athleticism, and an inner spirit to win all contributed to achieving a 27 - 2 season capped off by winning the state championship: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives wishes to
- 2 congratulate the Ben Davis High School Lady Giants on winning the
- 3 2001 Class 4A girls basketball state championship.
- 4 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
- 5 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the members of the
- 6 Ben Davis High School girls basketball team: Amber Johnson,
- 7 Adrienne Jones, Ashley Allen, Janese Banks, Megan Jones, Kristin
- 8 Van Valin, Shatonia Gilbert, Shannon Schwettman, Shyra Ely, Allie
- 9 Holok, Jessica Fetterman, Jennifer Poindexter, Kourtney Crawford,
- 10 Jessica Tucker, Kristyn Cox, Jacquie Ritchie, and Sara Strahm; student
- 11 managers Shannon Price and Reena Patel; student trainers Jessica
- 12 Latimer, Staci Latimer, and Ryan Fequay; trainer Heather McGowan;



- 1 assistant coaches Dexter Suggs, Terry Strahm, Kevin Vanderbush, and
- 2 Lisa Finn; head coach Stan Benge; assistant athletic director Doug
- 3 Opel; athletic director Priscilla Dillow; principal Dr. James Mifflin;
- 4 and superintendent Dr. Terry Thompson.

